

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: R. ETTLINGER

Attorney Docket No: 7400-X06-147

Application No.: National Stage Filing of

PCT/EP2004/011999

Filed: Herewith

For: DEVICE FOR CONTINUOUSLY FILTERING  
MATERIAL MIXTURES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Before action, please amend the above-identified application as follows. In accordance with USPTO practice, each section of this Preliminary Amendment begins on a separate sheet.